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## **Direction and Control of the Search Function Search and Rescue Management Course**

**Hosted By:  
Yosemite National Park & the Mariposa Co. Sheriff's  
Department**

**September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

**“Direction and Control of the Search Function”** is a 5-day, 40-hour course with trained, professional, experienced instructors. The course is directed toward search and rescue coordinators, their alternates, team leaders and others having those responsibilities. This course format is designed to facilitate both full-time as well as volunteer SAR Management personnel. Course objectives include:

- How to properly manage a search.
- How to develop a comprehensive search pre-plan. Understanding its importance to a successful search mission.
- Identify basic search and rescue resources; discuss their functions and limitations.
- Describe and discuss tactics used in search of lost persons.
- Describe resources/sequence of initial actions in applying search and rescue resources to find missing subjects.
- Demonstrate the ability to develop the search area in a given map problem.
- Describe the function of clue detection in relation to search theory.
- Identify key factors involved in deciding to suspend a mission.
- Introduction to Law Enforcement, Incident Command System. Describe functions of effective organization.
- Discuss how effectively managed search and rescue missions affect your agency's image.
- Discuss the importance of preventative search and rescue programs.

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**WHEN:** September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004

**WHERE:** Yosemite National Park Visitor Center, East Auditorium

### DATE and TIME

September 22 – 26, 2004  
0800-1700 Wednesday thru Sunday

### CONFERENCE LOCATION & LODGING

Yosemite National Park Visitor Center, East Auditorium

A block of cabins and tent cabins is being held on a first come first serve basis for our students at **Curry Village, See Attached Reservation form. Some cabins are available with a bathroom and some without, there are amenities located in the pool area for the rooms without bathrooms. For more information on the cabins, and other possible accommodations you can go to [www.yosemitenpark.com](http://www.yosemitenpark.com). Reservations must be made by August 7, 2004.** If you would like to bring a RV please call 1-800-436-7275 for reservations. There are two hotels located in El Portal (approximately 30 minutes from the training site) they may have accommodations available, Cedar lodge 209-379-2612 or Yosemite View Lodge 209-379-2681. No special pricing has been set up with these hotels.

Directions: See attached map.

The East Auditorium is located behind the visitor center, which located at the center of Yosemite Village.

**COURSE REGISTRATION:** Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis when our office receives applications. Applicants should register as soon as possible since class size is limited. **Telephone registration will not be accepted.** After receiving your application we will mail you a student package.

#### TO REGISTER BY INTERNET (preferred)

Go to [www.oes.ca.gov](http://www.oes.ca.gov), Resources and Branches, OES, Law Enforcement Branch, Wilderness Search and Rescue. Click on the SAR & Law Enforcement Training schedule, fill in application form and click on submit.

#### TO REGISTER BY FAX

Complete the on-line application form, print and fax to OES, Law Enforcement Branch at (916) 845-8314 attention Tonya Bagwill.

This course is certified by California Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) under Plan IV for full-time regular law enforcement officers. Each student receives a manual, shoulder patch, lapel pin and a certificate upon course completion.